GUIDE TO THE FL6 DOROBO FILE

The FL6 Dorobo file consists of 14 sources, all of which are in English. This file contains data on the rather scattered Dorobo tribes of Kenya, East Africa, variously known as Il-Torōbo, Okiek, El Dorobo, Andorobo, Asa, and Wandorobbo. Information is also to be found in this file on other non-Dorobo tribes such as the Acholi, Jiye, Masai, Kikuyu, and Nandi, and appropriately subheaded where applicable. Of the 14 sources comprising this file, six were written by a professional anthropologist (i.e., G.W.B. Huntingford), six by various government officials, one by a natural scientist, and one by a traveler. The sources were analyzed in 1962 and 1964, and range in date of publication from 1903 to 1954.

A general survey and basic identification of the Dorobo people will be found in sources 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 and 14. Data on economic life will be found primarily in sources 3 and 6; material culture in 3; folklore in 2; religion in 3, 5 and 13; trade in 3; physical data on the people in 3 and 7; social organization in 1, 4, and 14; clans in 4, 5, 10 and 11; diet in 6; various aspects of property ownership in 6 and 8; foreign relations in 9, 11, and 14; marriage in 9;

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mortality and birth statistics in 9; cultural history in 12; kinship structure in 14; general treatment of offenses in 5; and vocabularies and word lists in 2, 3, 7, and 10.

Although this file does not contain a great many pages of text material, data can be found in most cultural categories, and the file is generally adequate for cross-cultural purposes. --Analyst.

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